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LETTER DATED 14 NOVEMBER 1996 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF CAMEROON TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit to you the Declaration adopted at the Yaoundé Summit by the Heads of State of the Organization of African Unity recommending the candidature of Mr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali for re-election to the post of Secretary-General of the United Nations.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of this Declaration circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Jean-Marc MPAY
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Annex

Declaration of the Yaoundé Summit on an African candidature for a second term as Secretary-General of the United Nations

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its thirty-second ordinary session at Yaoundé, Cameroon, from 8 to 10 July 1996,

Recalling resolution AHG/Res.243(XXXI) 1995, by which the Assembly of Heads of State and Government expressed its appreciation to Boutros Boutros-Ghali for his initiatives at the helm of the United Nations Organization,

1. Reaffirms the historic importance of the election of an African as Secretary-General of the United Nations, thus enabling Africa to contribute significantly to the attainment of the principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations and to promote multilateralism;

2. Wishes to underscore Mr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali's action at the head of the United Nations Secretariat since his election in 1991;

3. Recalls the tradition and the practice at the United Nations, which consists in re-electing the incumbent Secretary-General for a second term;

4. In this regard, recommends that the necessary steps be taken by the current Chairman with all the partners, members of the United Nations, to give Africa a second mandate, for the next five years, and recommends the candidature of Mr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali for a second term as Secretary-General of the United Nations.